AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1. (Cancelled)
- 2. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim [[45]], wherein said mobile terminal includes a display and wherein the electronic card comprises memory areas containing personal data of an owner of said electronic card, whereby in case the electronic card verifies the need of aid, the electronic card is adapted to display said aid functions comprise a function of visualization of said personal data on the display of said mobile terminal.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 4 45 or 2, wherein said mobile terminal includes a memory area and said aid functions comprise a function of wherein in case the electronic card verifies the need of aid, the electronic card is adapted to transfer transferring said personal data into the memory area of said mobile terminal.
- 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim [[4]] <u>45</u>, wherein said electronic card, before checking said personal identification code, verifies whether there is a need for medical aid or a need for signaling that someone got lost.
- 6. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 5, wherein said electronic card allows choosing between a need for medical aid and a need to signal that someone got lost.
- 7. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 5, wherein said mobile terminal includes a keyboard and a need of aid is indicated through pressing a key on the keyboard of said mobile terminal.

- 8. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 5, wherein if there is a need of medical aid, said electronic card enables forwarding of a message to a service center.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 5, wherein if there is a need of medical aid, said electronic card enables a call to a service center.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 8, further comprising said mobile phone network, wherein the forwarding of said message to said service center is detected by suitable means of said mobile phone network, and further means of said mobile phone network provide for detecting a position of said mobile terminal.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 9, further comprising said mobile phone network, wherein said call to said service center is detected by suitable means of said mobile phone network, and further means of said mobile phone network provide for detecting a position of said mobile terminal.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 10 or 11, wherein said position is sent to said service center.
- 13. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 5, further comprising a service center that includes a database containing personal data of the owner of said electronic card, and wherein if there is a need of medical aid, said electronic card enables forwarding of a message to said service center.
- 14. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 13, wherein said service center transmits said personal data to a first aid center.
- 15. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 13, wherein said service center transmits said personal data and a position of said mobile terminal to a first aid center.

- 16. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 14, wherein said service center connects said mobile terminal to said first aid center.
- 17. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 13, wherein said personal data comprise telephone numbers to be contacted in case of emergency.
- 18. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 17, wherein said service center connects said mobile terminal to one or more of said telephone numbers to be contacted in case of emergency.
- 19. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 17, wherein said service center connects said mobile terminal to a first aid center and to one or more of said telephone numbers to be contacted in case of emergency.
- 20. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 5, wherein telephone numbers to be contacted in case of emergency are stored in said electronic card, and if it is necessary to signal that somebody got lost, said electronic card enables the telephone numbers to be called one after the other in a sequence of calls.
- 21. (Previously Presented) The system according to claim 20, wherein said sequence of calls is terminated when an answer is received from one of said telephone numbers to be called in case of emergency.
- 22. (Currently Amended) A method for the management of emergency situations through a mobile terminal equipped with an electronic card apt to implement functions for accessing a mobile phone network, the electronic card comprising memory areas containing personal data of an owner of said electronic card, the method comprising:
 - a first phase of inserting said electronic card into said mobile terminal;
 - a second phase of switching on said mobile terminal; [[and]]

- a third phase of checking whether aid is necessary, said third phase preceding a request of a personal identification code of said electronic card; and
- a fourth phase, following said third phase, of accessing the mobile phone network in case aid is needed so as to allow the mobile terminal at least to send an aid message to a service center.
- 23. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 22, further comprising, if there is need of aid, visualizing said personal data on a display of said mobile terminal.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 22 or 23, further comprising, if there is need of aid, transferring said personal data into a memory area of said mobile terminal.
- 25. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 22 or 23, wherein before verifying a personal identification code, said electronic card checks whether medical aid is necessary or somebody got lost.
- 26. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 25, wherein said electronic card allows choosing between a need for medical aid and a need to signal that somebody got lost.
- 27. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 25, further comprising indicating a need of aid by pressing a key on a keyboard of said mobile terminal.
- 28. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 25, wherein if aid is necessary, said electronic card enables forwarding of a message to a service center.
- 29. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 25, wherein if aid is necessary, said electronic card enables a call to a service center.
- 30. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 28, wherein suitable means of said mobile phone network detect the forwarding of said message to said service center, and

further means of said mobile phone network provide for detecting a position of said mobile terminal.

- 31. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29, wherein suitable means of said mobile phone network detect said call to said service center, and further means of said mobile phone network provide for detecting a position of said mobile terminal.
- 32. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 30, wherein said position is transmitted to said service center.
- 33. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 28 or 29, wherein said service center includes a database with personal data of the owner of said electronic card.
- 34. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 33, further comprising transmitting said personal data from said service center to an aid center.
- 35. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 33, further comprising transmitting said personal data and a position of said mobile terminal from said service center to an aid center.
- 36. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 34, wherein said service center connects said mobile terminal to said aid center.
- 37. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 33, wherein said personal data comprise telephone numbers to be called in case of emergency.
- 38. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 37, wherein said service center connects said mobile terminal to one or more of said telephone numbers to be called in case of emergency.

- 39. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 37, wherein said service center connects said mobile terminal to an aid center and to one or more of said telephone numbers to be called in case of emergency.
- 40. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 25, further comprising storing telephone numbers to be contacted in case of emergency in said electronic card, and if it is necessary to signal that somebody got lost, said electronic card calls the telephone numbers one after the other in a sequence of calls.
- 41. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 40, further comprising terminating said sequence of calls when an answer is received from one of said telephone numbers to be called in case of emergency.
- 42. (Cancelled)
- 43. (Previously Presented) A system implementing the method according to claim 22.

- 44. (Currently Amended) An electronic card for use in association with a mobile terminal and apt to implement access functions to a mobile phone network, the electronic card comprising memory areas containing personal data of an owner of said electronic card, and wherein the electronic card is provided with a personal identification code (PIN), is adapted to implement access functions to a mobile phone network of said mobile terminal after said PIN has been entered by a user of the mobile terminal, and is adapted to verify if there is the need for an aid before checking said personal identification code (PIN), so that if there is need for an aid it allows the mobile terminal to access the mobile phone network so as to be able to send at least an aid message to a service center equipped with aid functions, which make the electronic card operative at least in part, when said mobile terminal operates in an emergency state.
- 45. (New) System for the management of emergency situations, the system comprising a mobile terminal equipped with an electronic card, wherein said electronic card is provided with a personal identification code (PIN), wherein said electronic card is adapted to implement access functions to a mobile phone network of said mobile terminal, and wherein said electronic card is adapted to verify if there is the need for an aid before checking the personal identification code (PIN) entered by a user of the mobile terminal, whereby if there is need for an aid the electronic card allows the mobile terminal to access the mobile phone network so as to be able to send at least an aid message to a service center.
- 46. (New) Electronic card provided with a personal identification code (PIN) and adapted to implement access functions of a mobile terminal to a mobile phone network, wherein said electronic card is adapted to allow a mobile terminal to access the network to send messages and/or to make calls if the need for an aid has been verified before the personal identification code (PIN) has been entered by a user of the mobile terminal.